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**Meeting of the
STATE HISTORICAL RESOURCES COMMISSION**

Red Lion's Sacramento Inn

Sierra Room B

1401 Arden Way

Sacramento, California

April 23, 1999

MINUTES

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Sue F. Schechter, Chairperson
Jeffrey B. Samudio, Vice Chairperson
Herbert H. Brin
Jane Foster Carter
John D. Henderson, FAIA
Robert L. Hoover, Ph.D.
Russell L. Kaldenberg
Stephen L. Taber, Esq.
Robert W. Winter

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

Daniel Abeyta, Executive Secretary
Frances (Bo) Sargent, Recording Secretary
Sandra Elder, Retired Annuitant (Former Assistant Executive Secretary)
Cynthia Howse, Staff Architectural Historian
Eugene Itogawa, Staff Historian III
Joyce Law, OHP Staff
Maryln Lortie, Staff Historian
Karen Origel, OHP Student Intern
Shawn Riley, OHP Student Intern
Jenan Saunders, Staff Historian
William Seidel, Staff Archeologist
John Thomas, OHP Staff
Charles (Chuck) Whatford, Staff Archeologist
Jan Wooley, Staff Historian

VISITORS REGISTERED/REPRESENTING

(Attachment A)

CALL TO ORDER

Legal notice having been duly given, the State Historical Resources Commission meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chairperson Schechter.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Brin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTION OF COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF

Chairperson Schechter requested all Commissioners and staff present to introduce themselves.

WELCOME

Chairperson Schechter, on behalf of the Commissioners and staff, thanked Mr. Mike Sampson, President, Society for California Archeology for attending the State Historical Resources Commission meeting.

Mr. Sampson welcomed the Commissioners and thanked them for holding their meeting in conjunction with the Society for California Archeology Conference. He stated that it is an important occasion because it is the first time the Commission has done so. He hoped that the Commission would consider the Society in scheduling future regular meetings. He mentioned that the Society for California Archeology would hold its year 2000 conference in Riverside and the 2001 conference in Modesto.

Mr. Rusty Areias, Director, Department of Parks and Recreation, was unable to attend the meeting.

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 5, 1999 MINUTES

Vice Chair Samudio moved to approve the Minutes of the February 5, 1999 meeting with corrections. Commissioner Henderson seconded, **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT - Chairperson Schechter

Chairperson Schechter reported that it was a great pleasure for the Commissioners to attend the plenary session of the conference for the Society for California Archeology and stated that she hoped that the Commission and the Society will be close partners in the future because they share the same goals.

Chairperson Schechter read Resolution No. 99-4 for Mrs. Joyce Law, Associate Governmental Program Analyst of the Fiscal Information Unit, in the OHP, who will be retiring from the Office of Historic Preservation and state service.

Commissioner Carter moved to approve Resolution No. 99-4. Commissioner Hoover seconded. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously. **(Attachment B)**

Chairperson Schechter asked if there were to be any changes to the agenda.

Commissioner Carter moved to change the order of agenda items by Jenan Saunders, Staff Historian, who requested that the California Register to be moved forward to be heard early in the meeting. Commissioner Winter seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT – Daniel Abeyta

Executive Secretary Abeyta thanked the Society for California Archeology for inviting the Commission to hold its meeting in conjunction with the Society's Conference. Mr. Abeyta reported the Office of Historic Preservation has hired a new archeologist, Ms. Jeanette Shultz, which makes a total of four full-time archeologists in the office. Two archeologists are working in the 106 Project Review Unit, one in the Architectural Review Unit and one in the Fiscal and Information Unit.

Executive Secretary Abeyta stated that an open letter to conference attendees requested public input on the Statewide Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan. He reported that the Statewide Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan is a requirement of the National Park Service for all state Offices of Historic Preservation throughout the nation. The plan is a five-year plan to provide guidance to all people in California who are associated with historic preservation.

Executive Secretary Abeyta reported that he, Commissioners Kaldenberg and Hoover, and Bill Seidel attended a committee meeting on professional standards regarding CEQA issues. He said that the Office of Historic Preservation supports the concept of having peer review or a professional standards program offered to work with the Society for California Archeology to further the goals of increasing professional standards for archeologists.

Executive Secretary Abeyta announced that the new regulations for Section 106, 36 CFR, PART 800, have been revised and are to take effect June 1999. A one-day workshop will be offered on August 5, 1999 in Sacramento by the Advisory Council of Historic Preservation.

Executive Secretary Abeyta also announced that the California Preservation Foundation Conference is scheduled for May 20-23, 1999 in Palm Springs. He stated that OHP staff will be participating in the conference, and the State Historical Resources Commission will also hold their Planning and Policy meeting in conjunction with the conference.

Mr. Abeyta then introduced Ms. Roberta Deering, Executive Director of the California Preservation Foundation. Ms. Deering thanked the Commission for allowing her to speak at

the Commission meeting. She extended an invitation to attend the 24th Annual Statewide Preservation Conference in Palm Springs on May 20 – 23, 1999. She stated that the California Preservation Foundation would be working with the State Historical Resources Commission and the Office of Historic Preservation at two special sessions of the conference. Ms. Deering invited the Commission to hold a meeting in conjunction with next year's California Preservation Foundation Conference in the year 2000 in Monterey, California.

Executive Secretary Abeyta directed the Commission to review the legislative report that was presented to them. He explained the bond acts and legislative reports.
(Attachment C)

Mr. Abeyta concluded his report by adding his own appreciation to Mrs. Joyce Law, thanking her for all her hard work and dedication to the Office of Historic Preservation

SLIDE PRESENTATION

A slide presentation and staff reports on the applications to the National Register of Historic Places, California Historical Landmarks, and California Register of Historical Resources were given.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Victoria Avenue application was removed from the consent calendar and postponed until the August 6, 1999 meeting.

Chairperson Schechter stated that the Sunnyslope Lodge application would be removed from the consent calendar and rescheduled to be heard for discussion.

The 2nd and Howard Street District application was also removed from the consent calendar and rescheduled to be heard for discussion.

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

The following National Register applications have been scheduled on a consent calendar:

American Bag Company/Union Hide Co.
Oakland, Alameda County
Local Level of Significance

William Childs House
Riverside, Riverside County
Local Level of Significance

Pasadena Waldorf School
Altadena, Los Angeles County
Local Level of Significance

Sacramento Hall of Justice
Sacramento, Sacramento County
Local Level of Significance

Vice Chair Samudio moved to adopt staff recommendations and transmit the above applications to the State Historic Preservation Officer for forwarding to the Keeper for placement on the National Register of Historic Places at the appropriate levels of significance and also for placement on the California Register of Historical Resources. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Kaldenberg. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

CALIFORNIA HISTORICAL LANDMARK

The following California Landmark application has been scheduled on a consent calendar:

“Star of India”
San Diego, San Diego County

Ferryboat “Berkeley”
San Diego, San Diego County

Commissioner Carter moved to adopt staff recommendation and transmit the above applications to the State Historic Preservation Officer for forwarding to the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation for designation as California Historical Landmarks and for placement on the California Register of Historical Resources. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. **ACTION:** Motion carried unanimously.

CALIFORNIA POINT OF HISTORICAL INTEREST

The following California Point of Historical Interest application has been scheduled on a consent calendar:

There were no applications for the California Point of Historical Interest.

CALIFORNIA REGISTER OF HISTORICAL RESOURCES

The following California Register of Historical Resources application has been scheduled on a consent calendar:

Oceanside Athletic Club
Oceanside, San Diego County
Under Criteria 1 and 2.

Vice Chair Samudio move to place the property on the California Register of Historical Resources. Commissioner Kaldenberg seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried with 8 ayes and 1 nay vote.

Jenan Saunders, requested that the Commission also move to adopt the Draft Findings for the Oceanside Athletic Club so the findings will not have to be adopted at a later hearing.

Vice Chair Samudio moved to amend the previous motion to include the staff recommendation to adopt the Draft Findings along with the above application. Commissioner Kaldenberg seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously. **(Attachment D)**

PUBLIC COMMENT AND HEARINGS

Presentation of comments or concerns by the general public.

PLAN STATE

Mr. John Thomas, OHP staff member, reported that the State Plan is part of the Historic Preservation Grant received from the National Park Service. He stated that the grant is 50% of OHP's funding and one of the conditions to receive the funding is to prepare a Comprehensive State Plan. He reported that it is hoped that an action plan for historic preservation throughout the state can be formulated from the state plan. The OHP is in the process of developing a State Plan team to gather information for the next state plan, which will be submitted to the National Park Service (NPS) for approval by December 2000. Most of the revised state plan will retain the language of the previous plan with the exception of the preservation issues. He reported that a draft of the issues that have been identified by the state plan team will be available on the OHP web site and that the public will also be notified by mailings and notices in two major California newspapers. Some of the issues that will be examined are:

Historic preservation incentives, information technology in historic preservation, archeology in historic preservation, professional standards and guidelines for the conduct of archeological studies in California, disaster preparedness, World War II and Cold War Era military properties, post WWII and Cold War Era structures, suburban and residential, cultural diversity and historic preservation, integration of historic preservation in land use planning, cultural landscapes and traditional cultural properties.

Mr. Thomas concluded his report by stating that the team has chosen to have their first public forum on the state plan at the California Preservation Conference with the State Historical Resources Commission in attendance. The team hopes to facilitate a round table discussion with the public on the issues and get their input on the historic preservation issues addressed by the State Plan. **(Attachment E)**

YUROK TRIBE UPDATE

Chairperson Schechter introduced Mr. Bill Seidel, staff archeologist, who gave a history of the California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS) and the events leading to the proposal for the Yurok Tribe to become the North Coast Information Center for CHRIS. He stated Resolution No. 99-2 was adopted by the Commission at the February 5, 1999 meeting. Mr. Seidel then introduced Dr. Thomas Gates, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, Yurok Tribe.

Dr. Gates gave a brief background of the Yurok Tribe and his role with the Tribe. He stated that in 1992 he was hired by the Yurok Tribe as a consultant to monitor the timber harvest plan which had a potential to affect Yurok cultural sites. In that position he wrote several grants for the Tribe and one was the application for Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO) to assume the responsibilities for the cultural properties on Yurok land. He stated that there are presently 18 THPOs throughout the nation. Dr. Gates reiterated the role, responsibilities and procedures of the THPO and also its relationship with the SHPO. He completed his report by stating that the Yurok Tribe's data base is separate and apart from the California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS) and from the Information Centers.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairperson Schechter introduced Mr. Mike Sampson, President, Society for California Archeology. Mr. Sampson again thanked the Commission for being there in conjunction with the Society of California Archeology Conference. Mr. Sampson stated that the Society for California Archeology is a nonprofit organization dedicated to researching, understanding, conserving, and interpreting California's heritage. He added the Society has several concerns regarding the Office of Historic Preservation's ability to conduct review of projects subject to Federal and State (CEQA) laws due to inadequate funding and staffing. Mr. Sampson added other concerns which is entered into the minutes as an attachment. **(Attachment F)**

Chairperson Schechter introduced Lynn Dunbar, Western Regional Director, Archeology Conservancy. Ms. Dunbar thanked the Commission and then gave a background of the Conservancy. She stated that she would like to see integration between archeological preservation and historic preservation in the State of California. She stated that it was exciting that the State Historical Resources Commission decided to hold a meeting at the Society for California Archeology Conference and congratulated the Commission for doing so. She also mentioned she was also excited to see that the California Preservation Foundation was planning a strong focus on prehistoric archeology, at the CPF Conference in Palm Springs as well as the historic emphasis that has always been its hallmark. She added that she felt that the most important act that the Commission might take this year would be to adopt a resolution supporting additional funding through a bond act so that preservation may be funded, and hopefully at higher dollar amounts than had occurred with previously bond acts. She urged the Commission to adopt a formal resolution requesting an amount of funding, commensurate with funding for natural resources, to be put in legislative bond acts for historic and archeological resources. She would like the Commission to request funding in the \$30 million dollar range and have the formal resolution go through the Department of Parks and Recreation, Secretary of Resources, the governor and a copy

to each of the legislators who are proposing bond acts so they can understand the significance of cultural resources in the overall Parks and Recreation bonding process.

Vice Chair Samudio requested that Ms. Dunbar submit her requests in writing to the Commission so they could be incorporated in the Goals and Objectives that the Commission is working on.

Chairperson Schechter introduced Mr. Roger Kelly, of the National Park Service. Mr. Kelly gave a brief report on a conference, which he attended, sponsored by the National Park Service and the Bay Model Association. The conference, "Shores of Time: Submerged Historic and Indigenous Resources in the Pacific Rim Region" was held on March 31 through April 3, 1999 in Sausalito, California. Mr. Kelly stated that methods to improve preservation of submerged maritime historical sites, recovered artifacts and shipwrecks in the Pacific Rim region were the issues discussed at the conference. The conference agenda included sessions on public recreation of coastal and inland waters, cultural resources identification and protection, Native American maritime histories, and the recent Federal Court decision regarding the Brother Jonathan, a steamship lost in 1865 near Crescent City, CA. Mr. Kelly stated that this decision will have significant implications on the Abandoned Shipwrecks Act and the NPS stewardship role for state owned shipwrecks. **(Attachment G).**

Chairperson Schechter introduced Mr. Peter Pelkofer, State Lands Commission. Mr. Peter Pelkofer stated he had another commitment and could not stay. He stated he would address the Commission at another time.

Chairperson Schechter introduced Dr. Bob La Perriere, Chairman, Old City Cemetery Committee, Northern California Historic Cemetery Alliance. Dr. La Perriere also could not stay due to a previous appointment.

Chairperson Schechter introduced Mr. Jim Woodward, Archaeologist. Mr. Woodward welcomed and thanked the Commission for holding its Commission meeting in conjunction with the Society for California Archeology Conference. He encouraged the Office of Historic Preservation to adopt required guidelines to implement CEQA and PRC 5024. He emphasized the importance of getting increased funding for managing archeological and historical resources. He stated that federally funded agencies have a better review and compliance record than the California State Parks does for their own projects. He suggested that the Commission have more influence regarding the implementation of better review for state park projects and become good stewards for the protection of historic resources.

ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

Data Management of Native American Sites – Commissioner Kaldenberg

Commissioner Kaldenberg reported that there are Native American concerns regarding who owns property rights and site records. He stated that there is a movement called the "Intellectual Property Rights" where several Indian Tribes feel that they own the sites their ancestors left, even though the sites are on

public or private property. He stated there has also been concern about access and security. He reported that two states, Arizona and New Mexico, have secured automated electronic data systems and added that security of the systems has not been breached so far. He stated that sites that were recorded, noted and archived, in Arizona and New Mexico many years ago are called "Legacy Sites" and tribes feel that it's all right for the states to maintain those sites on the map system, but not any recently found and recorded sites. He stated that the Navajo maintains their own Global Information System (GIS) data record system and they share on an as needed basis. The Hopi are now developing a system, which should be completed within a few months. There are presently thirty states working on automation of data recording and that is the future of site record keeping in the United States. The National Park Service is taking the lead. Commissioner Kaldenberg stated that he will put together an issue paper to present to the Commission at the next meeting.

Fremont Adobe/Trabuco Store – Commissioner Henderson

Commissioner Henderson presented an updated report of the Fremont Adobe/Trabucco Store Grant Project. He stated that at the State Historical Resources Commission meeting of February 5, 1999 the Commission voted to delete the Fremont Adobe/Trabucco Store project from the 1996 Heritage Grant Program and awarded funding to the next applicant. This action was taken with the understanding that the project had made little or no progress and that it would not be possible for the project to be completed by the deadline of June 30, 2000. On February 11, 1999, Mr. Abeyta sent a letter to Economic Development Corporation of Mariposa County informing them of this action and giving them a thirty day notice of receding the contract until March 11, 1999. On February 12, 1999 the OHP received a letter from the owner, Mr. Wilfred Von Der Ahe indicating that he had expended much time and money developing the project and was interested in pursuing the project until its completion. After much discussion and examination, it was decided it would be in the best interest to give Mr. Von Der Ahe the opportunity to complete the project. March 6, 1999, Mr. Abeyta wrote the Economic Development Corporation of Mariposa County informing them that based on assurances by Mr. Von Der Ahe that the project will be completed, a new contract was furnished which amended the scope to work only on the Trabucco Store. Commissioner Henderson assured the Commission that he is satisfied that the project appears to be back on line and recommended that the Commission consider a new motion to restore the Fremont Adobe/Trabucco Store. Commissioner Henderson moved to restore the Fremont Adobe/Trabucco Store, seconded by Commissioner Kaldenberg. **Motion:** Motion carried unanimously. **(Attachment H)**

NATIONAL REGISTER

APPLICATIONS, NEW

The following National Register nominations on a consent calendar were re-scheduled to be heard for discussion:

Sunnyslope Lodge

San Diego, San Diego County
State Level of Significance

Cynthia Howse, Staff Architectural Historian, recommended listing of Sunnyslope Lodge at the state level of significance.

Vice Chair Samudio moved to adopt staff recommendation and transmit the above application to the State Historic Preservation Officer for forwarding to the Keeper for placement on the National Register of Historic Places at the state level of significance and also for placement on the California Register of Historical Resources. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brin. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

2nd and Howard Street District

San Francisco, San Francisco City/County
Local Level of Significance

Maryln Lortie, Staff Historian, stated that one letter of opposition was received by the OHP for the 2nd and Howard Street District application and that there was no one present to speak in opposition. She stated that there are 21 property owners within the district and it would take a majority of the owners to prevent the district from being listed. Vice Chair Samudio stated that he had the opportunity to tour the district and he felt that the fact that only one letter came in opposition was testimony that staff educated the owners very well.

After discussion, Vice Chair Samudio moved to adopt staff recommendation and transmit the above application to the State Historic Preservation Officer for forwarding to the Keeper for placement on the National Register of Historic Places at the local level of significance and also for placement on the California Register of Historical Resources. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoover. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

The following National Register nominations were scheduled to be heard for discussion:

It was requested that the following application be heard out of order:

Seven Oaks

San Mateo, San Mateo County
National Level of Significance

SPEAKERS IN OPPOSITION OF THE LISTING

Mr. Michael Zischke, attorney, addressed the Commission for the estate of Claire Giannini Hoffman, owner of Seven Oaks, (deceased). Mr. Zischke stated he opposed the listing of the application. He stated that Mrs. Hoffman did not want

the home preserved and indicated so in her will. Mrs. Hoffman wanted the house demolished. Mr. Zischke stated that Mr. Giannini was famous for his banking and it would be more suitable to recognize one of Mr. Giannini's banks as eligible for listing and not the property.

SPEAKERS IN FAVOR OF THE LISTING

Mrs. Sue Lenkeit, Council Member, City of San Mateo
Virginia Hammerness, Granddaughter of A.P. Giannini
Anne G. McWilliams, Granddaughter of A.P. Giannini
Mitch Postel, Executive Director, San Mateo County Historical Association
Deke Sonnichsen, Chairman, County of San Mateo, Historic Resources
Advisory Board
Lori Lindberg, Student, Seven Oaks Applicant and Bank of America staff
person
Duncan M. Knowles, Senior Vice President, Bank of America

All the speakers listed above addressed the Commission and spoke in favor of the listing because of the important historical significance of the property and requested the Commission to adopt the application to be listed on the National Register of Historic Places. **(Attachment I)**

Commissioner Carter stated that the application cannot be listed on the National Register of Historic Places because the owner opposes the listing, but it can be found eligible to be listed and receive the benefits of protection afforded listed properties. Commissioner Carter moved to adopt the application as eligible for listing and transmit the application to the State Historic Preservation Officer for forwarding to the Keeper for a determination of eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places and placement on the California Register of Historic Resources. Commissioner Brin seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

San Diego State Normal School Teacher Training

San Diego, San Diego County
State Level of Significance

After discussion of the application by Ms. Howse, Staff Architectural Historian, it was agreed that the San Diego State Normal School Teacher Training application be recommended at the state level of significance.

Commissioner Taber moved to adopt the above application and transmit the application to the State Historic Preservation Officer for forwarding to the Keeper for placement on the National Register of Historic Places at the state level of significance and also for placement on the California Register of Historical Resources. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Henderson. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

PROGRESS REPORT, NATIONAL REGISTER

The following nominations have been placed on the National Register of Historic Places. The National Park Service Notice of Listings, identifying these nominations, has been received by the Office of Historic Preservation since the last regular meeting of the Commission. *These properties also have been listed on the California Register of Historical Resources.*

Bishop, Ellis, House, Rancho Santa Fe, San Diego County, 01/05/99
Pier One, San Francisco, San Francisco City/County, 01/05/99
First Congregational Church, Porterville, Tulare County, 01/05/99
Colfax Passenger Depot, Colfax, Placer County, 01/15/99
Warner Brothers Theatre, San Pedro, Los Angeles County, 01/21/99
Winters House, Sacramento, Sacramento County, 01/25/99
Oxnard, Henry T., Historic District, Oxnard, Ventura County, 02/05/99
Georgia Street Bridge, San Diego, San Diego County, 02/12/99

CALIFORNIA HISTORICAL LANDMARKS

PROGRESS REPORT, LANDMARKS

Registrations approved by the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation. These properties also have been placed on the California Register of Historical Resources:

No. 1029, "U.S.S. Hornet"
Alameda, Alameda County

Dedications since February 5, 1999

There were no dedications.

Future Dedications:

Dersch Homestead
Shasta County, 05/15/99

CALIFORNIA POINTS OF HISTORICAL INTEREST

APPLICATIONS, NEW

There were no new applications.

PROGRESS REPORT

This property also has been placed on the California Register of Historical Resources:

ORA – 023, Bartlett Building
San Clemente, Orange County

CALIFORNIA REGISTER OF HISTORICAL RESOURCES

APPLICATIONS AND FINDINGS

NEW APPLICATIONS

This application has been postponed until the August 6, 1999 meeting.

Old Hickory Inn
Los Angeles, Los Angeles County

FINDINGS ADOPTIONS

Jenan Saunders, Staff Historian, requested that the application for Cascades Park be heard out of order.

Cascades Park and Jardin del Encanto
Monterey Park, Los Angeles County

Vice Chair Samudio moved to accept staff recommendation to adopt the findings for the Cascades Park and Jardin del Encanto application. Commissioner Carter seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously. **(Attachment J)**

Glendon Manor
Los Angeles, Los Angeles County

SPEAKERS IN OPPOSITION OF THE FINDINGS

Mr. Douglas Praw, representing the owners of Glendon Manor, S & W, LLC, addressed the Commission. He read a letter from Mr. Ira Smedra, owner of Glendon Manor, stating the objections to the findings on the designation of

Glendon Manor to the California Register of Historical Resources. Mr. Praw continued to discuss city government and other issues and concluded by stating that the Commission should appreciate the fact that the nomination is simply an effort to avoid development and he urged the Commission not to designate Glendon Manor a historical resource. **(Attachment K)**

Commissioner Taber stated that he was having difficulty understanding Mr. Praw's statements because of the mixing of the challenges to the findings with the nomination's original argument which has already been adopted. Commissioner Taber continued to discuss the issues that Mr. Praw addressed and requested that Mr. Praw identify what procedural or technical objections he had to his argument against the findings.

Mr. Praw responded by stating that several technical flaws were found, one of which was the survey was over five-years-old. He stated that they had asked the applicants why the new survey was never issued and they never received an answer. He stated that he was not an attorney and could not answer to the technical questions but all he asked was that the Commission postpone the action of the findings.

Jenan Saunders stated that all parties to the application were given 60 days notice to respond to the findings and she had not received anything in writing requesting a postponement.

Commissioner Hoover asked to be excused as he had another meeting of the conference to attend.

After discussion on the adoption of the findings and petition for redetermination, Executive Secretary Abeyta clarified that this hearing was for the findings only.

SPEAKERS IN FAVOR OF THE FINDINGS

Ms. Terry Tegnazian, Co-President, Save Westwood Village, applicant for the nomination, stated that the hearing on the adoption of the findings was held at the February meeting of the Commission. She stated that she has reviewed the draft findings and wanted to respond to Mr. Praw's comment about the survey. She stated that his comment was not appropriate because the application was not based on the survey, but was based on a separate study that was undertaken by her architectural historian, Portia Lee. She stated that there were actually two surveys completed, one in 1985 and the other in 1987 and Glendon Manor was included in both of the surveys as a locally significant building and both of the surveys were submitted as background material for the OHP staff to consider but not as the basis of the nomination.

Dr. Laura Lake, President, Friends of Westwood, Inc., stated that there is extensive evidence in favor of the findings for the nomination and the opposition has not raised significant or specific information.

Vice Chair Samudio stated that as a resident of the City of L. A. he takes this case personally, especially when it comes to opposition by the mayor's office and Council Member Michael Fuerer. He stated that the local government in Los Angeles did not say that the building was not historic, they simply declined to review its historic status. He discussed the function of the City of Los Angeles' Cultural Heritage Commission and

stated that the level of review performed by the OHP and the Commission is much more stringent than the City of L.A.'s review could ever be. Vice Chair Samudio concluded his statement by moving to accept staff recommendation and adopt the findings for the Glendon Manor application. Commissioner Winter stated that he seconded the motion as a former member of the Los Angeles Cultural Heritage Commission. **Action:** 7 ayes, 1 nay (Commissioner Hoover had not returned from his other commitment). **(Attachment L)**

OTHER BUSINESS

Adoption of Resolution No. 99-5 regarding responses to requests for redeterminations.

Dr. Laura Lake, President, Friends of Westwood, Inc., questioned the procedures regarding requests for redeterminations.

Executive Secretary Abeyta clarified the procedures and the format of types of hearings.

Terry Tegnazian, Co-President of Save Westwood Village, stated that the regulations only give grounds for redeterminations. She stated that the regulations are unclear on the response time to application of redeterminations. She asked that they be given 60 days notice to respond to a redetermination of Glendon Manor.

Jenan Saunders, Staff Historian, read Resolution No. 99-5, Request for Redetermination. Ms. Saunders added that this is an issue that has come up which they plan to address when the staff reviews the regulations. She stated that until that time, they would like this resolution to help them respond to requests for redeterminations

Commissioner Carter moved to adopt Resolution No. 99-5 regarding responses to requests for redeterminations. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously. **(Attachment M)**

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Liaison and Committee Progress Reports

1. State Historical Building Safety Board – Vice Chair Samudio

Vice Chair Samudio reported that the State Historical Safety Board completed the new revisions for the State Historical Building Code which standardized code for North America, Asia, and portions of Latin America will be part of the new International Building Code to create a in the year 2000. There were four FEMA funded workshops to explain the use of the code. They were held in the counties that were affected by the Northridge earthquake; Los Angeles, Orange, and Ventura counties. He concluded his report by announcing that planning is being done now to host the Northern California workshops.

2. **California Heritage Fund Committee** – Commissioner Henderson and Commissioner Carter, members.

Nothing more to report at this time.

3. **Educational Committee** – Chairperson Schechter and Commissioner Winter

Chairperson Schechter read a letter from Senator Adam Schiff. She urged people to get involved to get people to vote on the bond issues. Mrs. Schechter stated that the Huntington Library is preparing a goldrush exhibit called "The Land of Dreams". It will be opening September 29, 1999 and will be there for a year. She concluded her report by stating that the Huntington Library has the largest holdings on the goldrush in California and there are some very interesting documents to be shown in this exhibit. **(Attachment N)**

4. **Information Center Procedural Committee** – Commissioner Kaldenberg, Chair and Commission Hoover, member.

Nothing to report at this time.

5. **Public Policy and Legislation Committee** – Commissioner Taber

Nothing to report at this time.

6. **Preservation Financial Incentives Committee** – Vice Chair Samudio

Nothing to report at this time.

7. **Plaque Dedications and Other Activities** – Commissioner Brin

Commissioner Brin reported that the Dersch Homestead, Landmark No. 120 was dedicated on May 15, 1999. He read the contents of the plaque.

Commissioner Brin also announced that the landmark No. 1025, Ukraina, Contra Costa County was dedicated on May 15, 1999.

8. **Preservation Emergencies and Task Force Committee** – Vice Chair Samudio

Nothing to report at this time.

9. Goals and Objectives for 1999 - Vice Chair Samudio and Commissioner Brin

Vice Chair Samudio announced that at the workshop held on April 20, 1999 it was agreed that the Goals and Objectives for 1999 be a priority item. He stressed that it is important to have an audience with the new Secretary of Resources to discuss budgetary issues and to discuss future funding for the OHP. He stated that he attended a sub-committee meeting which was held prior to the Commission meeting to discuss funding issues and asked that Mr. Abeyta prepare an analysis of the OHP budget to get a sense of where we're coming from and to have a better idea of where we can go. He stated he would like to form a sub-committee consisting of Mr. Abeyta, Commissioners Kaldenberg, Brin, and himself. And then for the sub-committee to have a conference call to strategize within the next two weeks, once Mr. Abeyta has gathered all the information, after that, to call and request an audience with the Secretary of Resources or even higher, to the governor's office. Budgetary concerns are the first goals and objectives so that next year the Commission will not be working at a deficient.

STATE HISTORICAL RESOURCES COMMISSION CALENDAR FOR THE YEAR 1999

May 20	Planning/Policy Meeting	Palm Springs
August 6	Regular Quarterly Meeting	San Francisco
September 23	Planning/Policy Meeting	Sacramento
November 5	Regular Quarterly Meeting	Nevada City

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Brin stated that there are many comments regarding the failure to appropriated funds to develop the Sesquicentennial activities for next year, the 150th Anniversary for the State of California. He read a letter he had written to be sent to Governor Gray Davis. **(Attachment O)**

Commissioner Henderson moved to send the formal letter written by Commissioner Brin, to Governor Gray Davis, regarding the Sesquicentennial celebration for the State of California. Commissioner Winter seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Kaldenberg commented that he has a challenge to the archeological community. He stated that he has sat on the Commission for a year now and has not seen a single archeological property come up before the Commission. He stated that there are tremendous resources in California that need to be listed on the National Register and the California Register. He would like to see archeological properties come before the Commission.

Commissioner Carter informed Commissioner Kaldenberg that Colusa County has six properties listed on the National Register one of those is an archeological property.

Vice Chair Samudio expressed his concern regarding the CEQA violation by a state agency. He stated he sees it as a pattern of neglect in regards to CEQA and its responsibilities. He explained that Caltrans is involved in another lawsuit in Los Angeles regarding a blatant CEQA violation where a section of the 110 Seco Parkway, a part of the Los Angeles Freeway, is having major changes to it. A major portion of the parkway is being left out of the original plans. He stated he has had numerous conversations with people inside and outside of Caltrans regarding other issues and he just recently had the personal experience of seeing an environmental review that was hastily put together and Caltrans admitted to finalizing the design on the project before they went for an environmental review. He said that it was insulting to the community when they were told "you can sue us". Vice Chair Samudio stated that it is frustrating because he feels that Caltrans management is more concerned with getting projects done on time without regard to potential environmental violations. He would like to see some kind of report from Caltrans on how they review their projects and stated he wanted the Commissioners to know that this is going on. He would like consultation at the top, such as, the new Director of Caltrans, to address these issues. He would like to find out if these violations are being kept secret by the top management.

Chairperson Schechter asked if he thought a letter from the Commission would be appropriate.

Vice Chair Samudio stated that a letter would be an effective method, and that he would work with Mr. Abeyta on the political correctness of it, but that it should be done to find out the structure of how Caltrans reviews their environmental resources, specifically the historic and archeology resources.

Chairperson Schechter thanked the Society for California Archeology inviting the Commission to their conference. She stated that its been both interesting and stimulating.

Commissioner Brin added that he felt that there is no reason for a Sesquicentennial Celebration not be held in California and stated that we respectfully accept what we have and everyone join in the celebration.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairperson Schechter adjourned the regular meeting of the State Historical Resources Commission at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Abeyta
Executive Secretary

DATED: _____